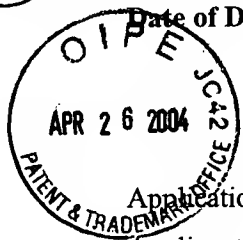


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-referenced patent application are the following documents:

1. Amendment and Response to Office Action [16 pages];
2. Copy of Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures (1 page);
3. Paper Copy of Sequence Listing (6 pages);
4. Computer-Readable Copy of Sequence Listing (1 diskette);
5. Return postcard.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at 212-935-3000, New York, New York. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed herein.

The Director is authorized to charge all fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 21882-502 Customer No. 35437.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mail dated March 24, 2004, Applicant submits the following Response and request for reconsideration. This Response is due on or before April 26, 2004 (April 24, 2004 being a Saturday). Applicant believes that the instant Response is timely and that this Response does not require any fees.

Amendments to the Specification appear on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims appear on page 3 of this paper.

**Response To Notice to Comply With Requirements For Patent Applications
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Conclusion begins on page 16 of this paper.